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Newbold Verdon Primary School and Community Centre

Spring term 2020: Mr Codd's class

January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope everyone had a fantastic holiday and that the children are looking forward to an exciting new term. As we begin the new year, here are a few reminders of how you can support your child:

Please make sure that your child has the correct PE kit in school on the appropriate days. For indoor PE this should comprise of a white t-shirt, black shorts and black pumps. For outside PE lessons and activities they will also need a sweatshirt, some jogging bottoms and a pair of trainers. Earrings should be removed for PE. If their ears are recently pierced, your child should bring micropore tape to cover them for the initial 6 weeks.

We ask children to take their water bottles home every night and bring them in the next morning. This will stop children needing to fill them up during school time and will ensure bottles are regularly cleaned.

This half term, our Year 5 topic has a geography theme and we will study rivers with a focus on the River Thames. Next half term, we will have a history focus looking at the Mayan civilization. We are also going to be visiting a Sikh Gurdwara as part of our RE topic. Details for this will follow soon.

Your support with your child's homework is greatly appreciated. Homework will continue to be set every Friday and this will consist of spelling, punctuation and grammar worksheets and a piece of maths homework. The children also have access to TTRockstars to practise their times tables.

Reading diaries are checked every Friday so please can you make sure that you/your child sign for every date that they read. It is expected that children will read 3/5 nights per week - even if it is only for 5 minutes. Children who read 5 times or more in a week will receive an extra Dragon Wing!

English:

Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo
Poetic style

Maths:

Rising Stars scheme of work

Geography:

Investigating rivers



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History:
The Mayans

PSHE:
Anti-bullying
Me and my relationships
Valuing difference

Computing:
Coding
E-Safety

Science:
Space

RE:
Places of worship

French:
Family and friends

Art/D&T:
Monet and the impressionists

Music:
Holst's Planets
Are words enough? (looking at lyrics)

PE:
PE is initially timetabled for Tuesday and Wednesday this term and we will be covering dance, yoga, tennis and netball. Please make sure your child has the correct indoor and outdoor kit available all week as we sometimes have opportunities to do extra PE sessions.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please come in and see me.#

Yours sincerely,

Mr P Codd
Year 5 Class Teacher

Date for the diary

31/1/20 - Year 5 class assembly (2:45-3:15)

13/2/20 - Year 5/6 trip to Sikh Gurdwara Temple (letter to follow).



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